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SNOWY ROADS IN THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY

STAUNTON – (4:15 a.m.) About an inch of snow has fallen in parts of the Shenandoah Valley, coating roads and creating slick driving conditions early Monday morning. Virginia Department of Transportation crews have been on duty since Sunday evening in the Staunton District, and will continue to plow and treat roadways as needed. VDOT urges drivers to check conditions before departing, and use extreme caution on snow-covered roadways.

Here are the Shenandoah Valley road conditions as of 4:15 a.m.:

Interstate 64 – Clear conditions in Alleghany, Rockbridge and Augusta counties.

Interstate 66 – Minor conditions in Warren County.

Interstate 81 – Minor conditions in Shenandoah, Warren and Frederick counties. Clear conditions in Augusta, Rockbridge and Rockingham counties.

Primary Roads – Moderate conditions in Shenandoah County. Minor conditions in Rockbridge, Highland, Augusta, Rockingham, Page, Frederick and Warren counties. Clear conditions in Alleghany, Bath and Clarke counties.

Secondary Roads – Moderate conditions in Augusta, Rockingham, Page, Shenandoah and Warren counties. Minor conditions in Rockbridge, Highland and Frederick counties. Clear conditions in Alleghany, Bath and Clarke counties.

For continually updated winter weather road conditions go to www.511Virginia.org, look at the orange bar on the top of the page and click on "Text Views" and then click on "Road Condition Table". A pull-down menu allows individual counties to be viewed.

Traffic alerts and traveler information also are available at 511Virginia.org. On the go? Then visit VDOT's Free Virginia 511 Tools to get your 511 app for android or iOS. Traffic alerts and traveler information can be obtained by dialing 511.

For other assistance call the VDOT Customer Service Center, available 24 hours-a-day, seven days a week. Citizens can dial 1-800-FOR- ROAD (1-800-367-7623) from anywhere in the state to report road hazards, ask transportation questions, or get information related to Virginia's roads.

The Staunton District Twitter feed is at <u>@VaDOTStaunton</u>. VDOT can be followed on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Flickr</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>YouTube</u>. <u>RSS</u> feeds are also available for statewide information. The VDOT Web page is located at <u>www.VirginiaDOT.org</u>.

The VDOT Staunton District serves Frederick, Shenandoah, Clarke, Warren, Page, Rockingham, Augusta, Highland, Rockbridge, Alleghany and Bath counties.

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Road condition definitions:

Severe – drifting or partially blocked road. Snow tires or chains are necessary. Moderate – snow or ice on major portions of the roadway. Snow tires or chains are advisable. Minor – bare pavement except for isolated spots of snow, ice or slush. Driving with caution is recommended.

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